

Traffic Stop Leads to Drug and Gun Charges



Millard Bouchard

Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Jeffrey R. Hale

Laurel- The Delaware State Police have arrested a Laurel man after he was found to be in possession of drugs and guns following a traffic stop on Friday.

The investigation began at approximately 10:45 p.m. on Friday,

January 27, 2017, as troopers were on patrol in the area of Laurel Road and Shiloh Church Road, east of Laurel. It was at this time that they observed a dark colored Ford F-150 pick-up truck traveling at a high rate of speed on Laurel Road. Troopers conducted a traffic stop on the truck, and upon coming into contact with the operator and sole occupant of the vehicle, later identified as **Millard L. Bouchard, 53**, of Laurel, they detected the odor of marijuana coming from inside of the car. A subsequent search of the vehicle was conducted at which time troopers located 9 bags of heroin and 12.7 grams of marijuana inside. Millard Bouchard was then taken into custody without incident.

A search warrant was then obtained for the residence of Bouchard, located in the 18000 block of Phillips Hill Road, Laurel, and upon execution of the warrant, troopers from the Sussex County Drug located an AR-15 assault rifle equipped with a homemade silencer, a Ruger .22 caliber handgun, ammunition, and 2.47 pounds of marijuana.

Millard Bouchard was arrested and charged with Possession with the Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance in a Tier 2 Quantity, three counts of Possession of a Firearm or Ammunition by a Person Prohibited, Possession of a Destructive Weapon, Maintaining a Drug Property, and Possession of a Counterfeit Substance. He was arraigned at JP Court 2 and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution in default of \$62,000.00 secured bail.

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